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THE DAY OF MEMORY

Down the long level of the street
bear
The solemn drums a measure
To time the tread of marching
feet—
It was the day of memory.

Out of the city of the dead
The waving flag its lovers led.
Where soldiers lie 'tis sacred
ground;
Each shrine their loyal comrades
found.

And so, each year at call of drum
The veterans and their proud
sons come
With flowers and words of praise
well won,
To keep the Day of Memory.

Christian Patriotism—this is what our people learn and find strengthened by the observance of each recurring Memorial Day, a patriotism which is opposed to selfishness and all self-seeking, which reproves all anarchy and disorder, which denounces every attempt to plunder the treasury by turning public office into a way of serving only private ends. These things, and others like them do not grow in the same soil—they do not live in the same heart with Christianity and Patriotism.

Again, our Memorial Day teaches the value of peace. It shows war at its best as a necessary evil, to be justified only by a righteous cause. It shows the cost of war. What our wars cost us in dollars and cents some day may be wiped out and forgotten, but that they cost us hundreds of thousands of precious lives will never be forgotten while Memorial Day continues to be observed. At a great price obtained we this freedom. It was the price of blood—the blood of a nation's heroes whose memories we honor. Our nation will not soon forget the value of peace purchased at such a cost. Memorial Day is a definite reminder of the price paid.

It is a day that calls out our love of country and this is not only a natural sentiment in every true heart, but it is right in the sight of God. No one can ignore his relation to his country and not sin against God. "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning. If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy." These were the words of one loyal both to God and native land. Christ, too, was patriot; and a religion without patriotism is not inspired by Christ. Christ loved His nation. He came first for His own people, preached first to them, and wept when they would not attend to the things that would make for their peace. The Gospel exalts patriotism to a Christian virtue whenever it is held in a Christian spirit.

Let not so great a day as Memorial Day fizzle out and become only the time of the opening of summer resorts, athletic events, and picnics.

Let it be reverently observed by every American.

Going to Church

"Some go to Church to take a
walk;
Some go there to laugh and talk
Some go there to meet a friend;
Some go there time to spend;
Some go there to meet a lover;
Some go there a fault to cover;
Some go there for speculation
Some go there for observation
Some go there to doze and nod
The wise go there to worship
God."

In accomplishing some great feat we are too apt to say "I did it." We forget that inspiration to do great things comes to us through God. Without his help we would be a failure.

MOTHER'S DAY

There are mothers and mothers.

She's a woman with a mission;
'Tis her heaven born ambition
To reform the world's condition
You will please to understand.

She's a model of propriety,
A leader in society,
And has a great variety
Of remedies at hand.

Each a sovereign specific,
With a title scientific,
For the cure of things morbific
That vex the people sore.

For the swift alleviation
Of the evils of the nation
Is her foreordained vocation
On this sublunary shore.

And while thus she's up and
coming,
Always hurrying and humming,
And occasionally Slumming,
This reformer of renown.

Her neglected little Dicky,
Ragged, dirty, tough and tricky,
With his fingers soiled and
sticky,
Is the terror of the town.

Child training is mightier than heredity and primarily a parental duty. It is now generally admitted that heredity has been over estimated. Its influence is chiefly physical and mental, not moral. When the children of the slums are placed early in good country homes by home finding societies, they usually become morally more like their adopted parents than like their own. But God holds parents responsible for child training, of which conversion is the only safe basis.

Spurgeon's mother said to him: "I have trained you in righteousness. Your father and I have set

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Sermon Topics for June

June 3rd Is there a God?

10th. God Spake.

17th. Does Death end all?

24th. His Son.

Prayer service every Thursday evening from 7:30 to 8:30.

Topics—June

7th. MEN. Joshua 1:1-18.
Speaker, Geo. Fuller

14th. WOMEN. Ruth.
Speaker, Mrs. Greenacre

21st. WORDS. Prov. 25:11.
Speaker, Fred Hutton

28th. SUNDAY SCHOOL 1 Sam. 3:1-21.
Speaker, F. S. Adams

The pastor will lead the meetings. Discussion will follow the presentation of each subject. The following program will be used:

Song Service 10 Minutes.

Address 20 Minutes

Open Meeting 20 Minutes

Social Fellowship 10 Minutes.

You can count on a prompt adjournment.

Drop in with us for this hour.

Special Music Each Service

TEACHER TRAINING CLASS

Every Thursday evening following prayer service from 8:30 to 9:30 p. m. We hold a Teacher Training and Bible Study Class. The text book used is "The Worker and His Bible" by Eislen & Barclay, a text approved by all authorities.

Get in this course.

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you right examples. We have taught you the Gospel. We have shown you the way of peace. My son, if you do not live a godly life I will stand before God in the day of judgment and bear witness against you."

A mother's interest is incentive to every sort of good.

The brilliant audience gave an ovation to the great singer. She was unquestionably the best soprano in the world. The critic turned to his friends, the self made millionaire, and said: "Did you ever hear any song more exquisitely rendered?"

"Yes," said the rich man musingly, for he was touched by the magic of what he had heard. "Yes, I have heard three great singers."

"I want to know," exclaimed the critic.

"The first was years ago. The singer was plain of face and gray of hair and tired of body. There was much work to do and many mouths to feed. I was the youngest child, sick and cross. And the dear singer crooned to me a lullaby, and I slept. It was a wonderful song. The next was years afterward. We had a little cottage. It was summer, and the windows were open. My wife was in the kitchen preparing supper. She was singing something about the true love coming home to her. It was for me. And that too was a wonderful song. Some more years elapsed. There is a little toddler in the garden, and she sings hesitatingly something about daddy and his baby. These are three singers, my friend, that beat all of your sopranos."

And the critic-well, perhaps the critic agreed with him.

MOTHER'S DAY will be observed in our church on Sunday May 13th. Church and Sunday School will be combined. Time of service will be 10:30 a. m. Special program. Cradle Roll mothers will be present with their babies and will receive Cradle Roll Certificates. Twenty-two babies are on the roll. Mrs. Peter Case is the energetic superintendent. Every mother present will receive a white carnation

The following letter is of interest to our people. It is for the box sent by our ladies to Miss Draper. We quote it in full.

53 Motomachi
Hakodati
Feb. 19, 1917

I should have written you long ago about our Christmas but I have been so busy with special meetings I have found it hard to write letters. But I want to thank you all so much for the Christmas package which you sent. It helped us out so much and the children was just tickled with the pretty things, especially with the hair ribbons.

I wish you all could have been here when we had our Christmas celebration. All the parents were put under the Christmas tree in the corner and many were the wondering glances cast in their direction. They each got a doll last year but this year they got other pretty things. It is especially hard to find suitable things for boys, is'nt it? But they were all so happy with your gifts.

However, we felt that they must learn of the joy of giving, too, and so each child made some thing to give to its mother. One class made little waste paper baskets and another pretty letter holders, others picture frames and so on. They were all so proud and happy as they took their gifts to their mothers, who had come to see the Christmas celebration.

The decorations were so pretty this year. The girls worked very hard for a long time stringing the popcorn which the children themselves had raised in the vegetable garden this summer. These strings of popcorn were wound around the ropes of cedar or hung from the wreaths of cedar put around the electric lights. Silver stars hung from the ends of the popcorn strings or were pasted on the walls. Silver bells were hung in the corners of the room. It was all just as pretty as it could be; all green, silver and white.

We invited the mothers to come to the celebration and they "Oh-ed and Ah-ed" about the decorations but were still more delighted when we lit the candles

on the tree in the corner of the room. Some of them had never seen a lighted Christmas tree before. It was a very bare tree for we had only a very few things to decorate it with, but it was wonderful to them. Altogether it was a beautiful Christmas, indeed, and we all thank you so much for your share in making it so.

I am coming home this year and tell you about the kindergarten and my 80 children. I am sending you two pictures—one of the teachers and one of three of the children.

Thanking you again I am sincerely **yours,**

Winifred F. Draper.

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DO THIS NOW

The Basement Building committee announces that $80 is due on the basement. We started out to raise $150. We raised $260 in cold cash and $100 by note. We have $20 on hand toward this amount. Will you be one to help clean up the balance. The following form has been suggested.

Churchville, N. Y.....1917

I agree to assume the payment of.....shares of the Basement obligation of $80 at one dollar a share on condition that the entire $80 is pledged by July 1, 1917. This is not to become valid unless the entire 80 shares are pledged in the stated time. It will become due July 1, 1917 if the above condition is met.

Signed .....

Cut this out or copy it; fill it out and mail to the "Record" Do it now.

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CRADLE ROLL

I think when I read that sweet story of old,
When Jesus was here among men
How he called little children as lambs to his fold;
I should like to have been with him then.
I wish that His hand had been placed on my head,
That His arms had been around me;
And that I might have seen his kind look when He said
"Let the little ones come unto me."

Supt. Cradle Roll.

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NOMINAL CHRISTIANS

A "nominal Christian," indeed. Is there such a thing? Who cares to consult a "nominal doctor," or buy a suit of a "nominal tailor," or eat a dinner prepared by a "nominal cook?" Just how far could one travel on a "nominal train" and how much money would we care to keep in a "nominal bank?"

A "nominal Christian is no Christian" at all.

IMPORTANT DATES

If you are a member of the Official Board mark the FIRST MONDAY of each month in RED

This is the regular monthly meeting of the board. No constructive work can be done unless we determine to be present at every meeting.

If you do not intend to do this, it is not fair play to hold office.

If you are a member of the FINANCE COMMITTEE set aside the WEDNESDAY following the LAST SUNDAY of each month. These men do not need to be urged to come out. They come. Its a case of FISH or CUT BAIT on this board. These men deserve the compliments of everyone in the church.

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